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SUBJ: PRIME MINISTER'S OPENING SPEECH - FOREIGN AFFAIRS

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SUMMARY. PRIME MINISTER JORGENSEN KICKED OFF NEW

PARLIAMENTARY SESSION OCTOBER 2 WITH TRADITIONAL
SPEECH OUTLINING GOVERNMENT'S ATTITUDES AND INTENTIONS
FOR COMING YEAR. BULK OF SPEECH WAS DEVOTED TO
INTERNAL AFFAIRS, IN KEEPING WITH GOVERNMENT'S
PREOCCUPATION WITH ITS FINANCIAL AND BUDGETARY
PROBLEMS, WHILE INTERNATIONAL MATTERS RECEIVED ONLY
CURSORY TREATMENT. PM PAID RITUAL, BLAND HOMAGE TO
FOUR ESTABLISHED PILLARS OF DANISH FOREIGN POLICY:
EC, UN, NATO AND NORDIC COOPERATION, AND HELD OUT
HOPE OF POSITIVE DEVELOPMENTS FROM CURRENT DISCUSSIONS
BETWEEN US AND EC NINE. END SUMMARY.

1. FOREIGN POLICY SECTION OF SPEECH WAS LARGELY DEVOTED
TO EMPHASIZING IMPORTANCE OF DANISH MEMBERSHIP IN
EUROPEAN COMMUNITIES (EC), WITH PM CALLING ATTENTION TO
FACT HE WAS SPEAKING ON FIRST ANNIVERSARY OF REFERENDUM
AUTHORIZING ENTRY. JORGENSEN FIRMLY ASSERTED THAT EC
PARTICIPATION HAD SUPPLEMENTED RATHER THAN WEAKENED
DENMARK'S COOPERATION WITH OTHER NORDIC COUNTRIES.

2. HE EXPRESSED GENERALIZED HOPE FOR WORLD PEACE AND,
IN CAREFULLY CONSTRUCTED SENTENCE, SAID THAT "THE
AMERICAN WITHDRAWAL FROM VIETNAM HAS COME TO BE RECOGNIZED
AS A POSITIVE AND PROPER ACTION." PM ALSO COMMENTED
THAT "NATO IS THE FOUNDATION FOR DENMARK'S SECURITY
POLICY AND AN IMPORTANT INSTRUMENT IN THE EUROPEAN
DETENTE WE ARE IN THE MIDDLE OF."

3. JORGENSEN POINTED WITH PRIDE TO EC NINE'S COOPERATION
IN CSCE AND NOTED THAT NINE HAD ALSO AGREED TO DISCUSS
MATTERS OF MUTUAL INTEREST WITH US. "THE FOREIGN MINISTER,
AS REPRESENTATIVE FOR THE NINE, HAD JUST HAD TALKS ON
THIS SUBJECT WITH THE US'S SECRETARY OF STATE. THE
GOVERNMENT HOPES THAT THE NINE AND THE US CAN REACH
AGREEMENT ON THE FOUNDATION FOR SUCH DISCUSSIONS, AND
THAT THESE CAN LEAD TO A POSITIVE RESULT."

4. PM HELD OUT HOPE OF MILITARY FORCE REDUCTIONS VIA
MBFR AND SAID DANES WOULD CONTINUE TO SUPPORT DEVELOPING
NATIONS' OWN EFFORTS, VIA UN AND OTHER INTERNATIONAL
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ORGANS. SUPPORT TO SUPPRESSED POPULATIONS IN SOUTHERN
AFRICA WILL BE INCREASED, HE SAID, AS WILL DEVELOPMENT
ASSISTANCE TO VIETNAM. PM DID NOT INDICATE HOW VIETNAM
AID WOULD BE DIVIDED AMONG CONTENDING PARTIES. IN
ADDITION, HE MADE NO REFERENCE WHATEVER TO SITUATION IN
CHILE, WHICH HAS BEEN MATTER OF GREAT INTEREST HERE SINCE
ALLENDE'S RECENT DOWNFALL.
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